

(FROM LEFT) Dr. Nancy Grosselfinger, assistant professor in the Department of Sociology, aided by interpreter Jane Berger, discusses murder and the death penalty with criminology students Corey Maciel and Donna Weber Nov. 13.

## Criminology offered to sociology majors

Sociology majors at Gallaudet now have the option of pursuing a concentration in criminology in addition to the traditional concentrations in deaf studies and general sociology offered by the Sociology Department. A minor also is available to students who major in other disciplines but want a background in criminology.

"There is no training in criminology for deaf people that we know of anywhere in the country," said Sharon Barnartt, chair and associate professor of the Sociology Department.

"Our impression is that students who are interested in law generally major in government, but this gives them another major that would be directly relevant to that interest, especially if they are interested in criminal law," she said.

The concentration in criminology, which was offered for the first time this fall semester, grew out of continued high student enrollment in a criminology course taught for many

years by professor Morris Goldman until he retired last year. Dr. Goldman helped develop the curriculum for the criminology concentration, modeling it after programs in university sociology departments across the country. Goldman, who joined Gallaudet's Sociology Department in 1957, also was instrumental in adding social work courses to the program, a move that eventually led Gallaudet to offer a social work major and to establish a Social Work Department separate from the Sociology Department.

Students who are interested in becoming parole officers, counselors, or police officers also may want to study criminology, said Nancy Grosselfinger, assistant professor of sociology and a criminologist hired this fall to teach many of the criminology-related courses. Increasingly, entry-level positions in law enforcement are requiring a bachelor's degree, she said.

The overview of criminology includes approximately eight courses in subjects such as basic sociology, research methods, social theory, social problems, criminology, juvenile delinquency, the sociology of deviance, and statistics. Subjects being considered for future courses include women and the law, comparative criminal justice, and corrections.

Students still will learn about the criminal justice system through the Jeffrey I. Saloshin Seminar on Law and Criminal Justice, which has been offered each spring since 1984 through Experiential Programs Off Campus and the Jeffrey I. Saloshin Memorial Fund. This year, however, the Saloshin Seminar lectures and field trips will be taught and coordinated by Dr. Grosselfinger.

## Hazing, parking now part of manual

New policies on parking and student hazing at Gallaudet, and revisions to University policies on parental leave, leave without pay, and in other areas have been added to the *Administration and Operations Manual*.

According to Denise Sullivan, director of the Personnel Office, the policy on hazing, as stated, "describes the activities and situations which are explicitly prohibited for the purposes of pledging, being initiated into, affiliating with, holding office in, or maintaining membership in an organization whose members are or include students."

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## Policy on educating deaf children clarified by Department of Education

In new policy guidance printed in the Oct. 30, 1992 *Federal Register*, the Department of Education (DOE) has clarified for state and local education agencies what a free appropriate public education means for deaf students.

Abandoning an earlier policy that the "least restrictive environment" was the "core value" to be considered in placement decisions, DOE now recognizes that provision of a free, appropriate public education—based on each deaf child's Individualized Education Program (IEP)—is paramount and consideration of the least restrictive environment is secondary.

The Department of Education emphasized that full consideration of the unique needs of a deaf child will help ensure an appropriate education, required by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). DOE pointed out that some state and local education agencies are misinterpreting the least restrictive environment pro-

visions of the IDEA and Section 504 by presuming that placements for deaf children in or near the regular classroom are required.

"Meeting the unique communication and related needs of a student who is deaf is a fundamental part of providing a free appropriate public education to the child," the DOE policy guidance states. "Any setting, including a regular classroom, that prevents a child who is deaf from receiving an appropriate education that meets his or her needs, including communication needs, is not the least restrictive environment for that individual child. Placement decisions must be based on the child's IEP."

DOE recognized the concerns of the Commission on Education of the Deaf (COED) that the unique communication and related needs of deaf children have not been considered in developing their IEPs.

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## Gallaudet alumnus is NCLD lawyer

For Andy Firth, Gallaudet not only gave him an education, it gave him the background he needed to pursue his dream—becoming a lawyer to help deaf people.

Firth, a lawyer working in Gallaudet's National Center for Law and Deafness (NCLD), grew up deaf in a hearing community, isolated from his deaf peers. "Until I came to Gallaudet, I had never had contact with deaf people and I didn't realize how many legal problems they have, and how few people there are to help them," said Firth. "Once I entered the deaf community and saw their needs, I knew I wanted to go to law school so I could help them."

A sophomore transfer student from Oregon State University, Firth majored in English and graduated from Gallaudet in 1988. He also played center for the Bison football team one year.

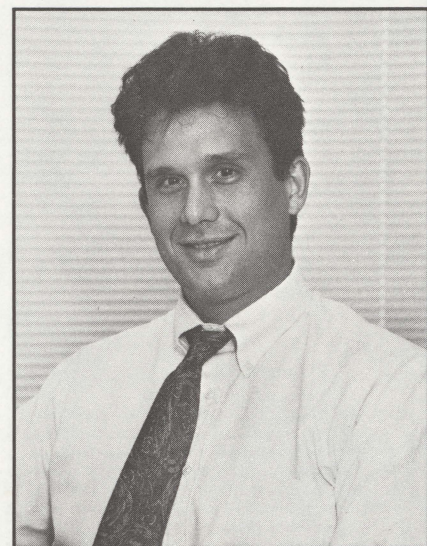
In May, Firth graduated from Notre Dame Law school, but his dream of becoming a lawyer almost ended. As the only deaf student on the Notre Dame campus, he asked the Indiana State Vocational Rehabilitation Department (VR) to furnish him with an interpreter. They refused. Not content to accept their ruling, Firth sued VR, fought the case all the way to the state Supreme Court, and won.

"Hopefully, this case will have a great effect for other deaf students who want to go to graduate school and law school," said Firth. He took the bar exam in Washington, D.C., last summer and was notified in October that he had passed.

Presently, Firth is working on a special project for the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) at the NCLD. The project encompasses communications accommodations and advising businesses across the country in regard to ADA compliance.

Although his plans for the future are uncertain, Firth would like to continue to work in disability law, particularly in higher education. He wants to make universities and law and medical schools more accessible to deaf and hard of hearing students.

"It was wonderful to come to Gallaudet," said Firth. "I feel I have really established a bond with deaf people now. I just wish I could have gone to a deaf school a long time ago."



Andy Firth



## Employment is focus of spring forum

"Partnerships 2000" is the theme of a Spring forum in Dallas, Texas, that will focus on the various aspects of employment of deaf and hard of hearing people, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and communication.

The first National Forum on Employment of Deaf and Hard of Hearing People will be held March 17-20 at the Doubletree Hotel at Lincoln Center. It is being organized by Gallaudet and the National Association of the Deaf (NAD).

Other areas that will be addressed at the forum are partnerships between business and industry, networking and mentoring, recruiting, hiring and promoting, retention and career advancement, innovative work-study programs, and model employer development programs.

"This forum is specifically designed to provide concrete opportunities for employment-related personnel such as managers, business owners, disability specialists, personnel officers, staff developers, and rehabilitation professionals," said Dr. Roslyn Rosen, dean of the College for Continuing Education at Gallaudet and president of the NAD. "The primary goal is to get these professionals together with deaf and

hard of hearing people to work toward developing plans for action and strategies to help place participating employers in the forefront of equal employment and workplace access."

Invited speakers for the forum include Dr. Robert Davila, assistant secretary for the office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, U.S. Department of Education; Ken Bertaccini, president and chief executive officer of AT&T Consumer Products; and Ike Herbert, retired chief executive officer of Coca-Cola. There will also be workshops and panel discussions on a variety of topics.

Sponsors include AT&T, Coca-Cola, the University of Arkansas Research and Training Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing People, Gallaudet, NAD, Self Help for Hard of Hearing People, the Association for Late-Deafened Adults, Black Deaf Advocates, the Deaf Entrepreneurs Council, Deaf Women United, Telecommunications for the Deaf, Inc., and the National Captioning Institute.

For more information about the forum, call Jo Linder-Crow, director of Conferences and Summer Studies in the College for Continuing Education, x5551.

## Announcements

Nov. 30 is the deadline to respond to the call for papers for the 56th biennial convention of the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf and the Conference of Educational Administrators Serving the Deaf CAID/CEASD. The convention, which will be hosted by Pre-College Programs and the Maryland School for the Deaf, will be June 26-30 at the Omni Inner Harbor Hotel in Baltimore, Md., with short courses offered June 25-26. For a copy of the call for papers, call Sue O'Brien, x5340.

The Seventh Annual Holiday Fair, featuring gifts, food, flowers, clothing, arts and crafts, and holiday cards will be held on Dec. 4 from 9 a.m.-7 p.m. in Ely Center. Anyone interested in selling items at the fair can call the University Center, the sponsor of the event, at x6147.

"See What I'm Saying," a 30-minute video documentary filmed at KDES that follows a group of deaf children as they learn sign language, will air Wednesday, Dec. 2, on WETA-TV, Channel 26.



MSSD social studies instructor Linda McCarty (left) accepts her 20-year service award and a hug from Principal Cynthia Bailes.



Ladies Auxiliary #58 of the Jewish War Veterans meets with KDES preschool students and Primary Instruction Program Supervisor Angela Bednarczyk (rear) on Nov. 12. The group has donated funds to the Preschool Department for many years.

## Manual contains new, revised rules

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The policy on parking describes the regulations governing faculty, staff, and student parking on Gallaudet's two campuses.

Revisions to the parental leave policy include statements clarifying that leave time must be taken within 12 months after the birth or adoption of a child, and that parental leave is not intended to allow a parent to care for a sick child.

The leave without pay policy now highlights the D.C. Family and Medical Leave Act as an applicable law to consider when granting leave without pay. It adds that an exempt employee is not subject to a reduction in salary for leave without pay for a period of less than one day. This does not apply to part-time people who already have a defined schedule of less than one day.

Other revisions include a change to the travel expense policy that now allows for mileage reimbursement at the rate of 27.5 cents per mile instead of the previous rate of 22 cents. The petty cash policy now requires petty cash purchase receipts to be submitted to the Cashier's Office within three working days.

The policy on delegation of executive responsibility now states that the

president is responsible for designating a senior administrative official to be in charge of the University during his or her absence or incapacitation. The vice president for Pre-College Programs is designated as the senior administrative official.

For more information about these policies, contact the Personnel Office at x5350.

## Classified Ads

**Classified ads** are printed free for Gallaudet faculty and staff. Ads must be submitted in writing to *On the Green*, MSSD, Room G-37, or E-mail LMMCCONELL. Off-campus phone numbers must include an area code and whether the number is voice or TDD. Ads may be run two weeks if requested and if space permits. Ads received Nov. 16-25 will be published Dec. 7.

**FOR SALE:** IBM ProPrinter x24, exc. cond., \$150, queen-size waveless waterbed, thermostat heat, \$250. Call Barry or Holly, (301) 464-3976 (TDD) eves.

**FOR SALE:** 35mm Sears camera, 55-80 mm, 20-35 mm, and telephoto lenses, flash, tripod, case, \$250/BO. Call Stephanie, x5373.

**FOR SALE:** '88 Honda Accord, hatchback, red, AC, 52k mi., \$7,200/BO. E-mail RMSCHILLING or call (301) 588-4282 (V/TDD).

**FOR SALE:** Junior in-line skates, boys size 6 or girls size 8, purple/green neon, \$25. E-mail JBLOUNT or call (202) 651-5281.

**FOR SALE:** Holiday Spa lifetime membership, \$600/BO, no renewals. E-mail 11RBONDROFF or call (202) 675-8710 (TDD) eves.

**WANTED:** Roommates to share TH near Silver Spring, Md., 10-min. walk to Metro, near shopping, rent nego. Call Christina or Glen, (301) 589-2213 (V/TDD) eves.

**WANTED:** Driver/maintenance person with chauffeur's license for group of hard of hearing senior citizens. Call (202) 232-1425 (V).

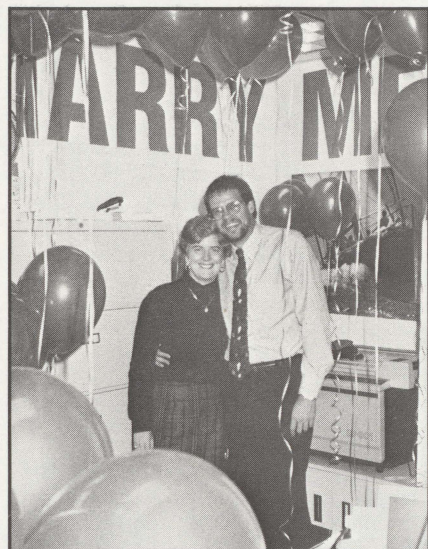
**FOR SALE:** Complete IBM PS/1 system w/3 1/2 in. drive and mono monitor, internal modem and software, rarely used, \$350. Call x3312 or (301) 595-5899 (TDD).

## Job Openings

**Some of the advertised positions may already be filled.** The list below includes only new staff and faculty openings and does not represent all jobs available. To get a recorded message describing the complete list, call x5358 or x5359 (TDD).

INTERPRETER III: Gallaudet Interpreting Service (GIS)  
INTERPRETING SERVICES SPECIALIST: GIS  
CARPENTER III: Physical Plant Department  
FACULTY: Psychology Department

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On Nov. 11, Cecilia Madan found her University Center office bedecked with red balloons and a marriage proposal, the bandiwork of her now-fiance Mike Atchison of Student Life. They plan a May or summer wedding.

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